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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Q. Nguyen
MASAMI KATO)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2141
Application No.: 09/343,183)	
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Filed: June 30, 1999)	
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For: DATA COMMUNICATION)	
CONTROL APPARATUS AND	:	
METHOD, AND DATA)	
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM	:	March 9, 2004

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination
(RCE) being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as
follows: